

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Education Professional Standards Board

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EPSB Staff

FROM: Phillip S. Rogers, Executive Director

DATE: July 2, 2007

SUBJECT: July 2007 EPSB Update

Mission Statement

The Education Professional Standards Board promotes high levels of student achievement by establishing and enforcing rigorous professional standards for preparation, certification, and responsible and ethical behavior of all professional educators in Kentucky.

Developmental Education Task Force PD Group to Meet

The fourth of six recommendations from the CPE-led Kentucky Developmental Task Force calls for the Education Cabinet to “...bring the players involved in professional development together around the issue of college readiness for adult and traditional students and develop a professional development initiative that directly addresses the needs of educators working with underprepared populations.”

Education Cabinet Secretary Laura Owens has set July 30 for the inaugural meeting of the group that will be exploring ways to bring targeted PD to educators serving students who are underprepared for college.

To download a copy of the Developmental Education task Force’s final report, go to [Securing Kentucky's Future](#).

Survey of Alternative Route Teachers

The number of teachers coming through alternate routes to certification has significantly increased over the last four years. At your request, Mike Carr developed a survey to try to get a sense of the experience these new teachers are having. Here are some of the highlights:

- 79% came from some career field other than education
- 71% stated they believed they had a “calling” to become a teacher
- 81% were either satisfied or very satisfied with their university preparation program
- 74% were either satisfied or very satisfied with the support provided by the district
- 79% believed the other teachers in their schools were supportive or very supportive
- 89% related that they were either likely or very likely to make teaching a career

You may download the entire report at [Survey of Option Six Teachers](#).

Mike Carr Appointed to Serve on NASDTEC Interstate Agreement Committee

As you know, EPSB staff actively participates in the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC). One of its five-member standing committees studies issues related to the NASDTEC Interstate Certification Agreement, which deals with state-to-state reciprocity among educator certificates. Mike Carr has been asked to serve as the Southern Region's representative on this committee for the next three years. The Southern Region comprises 13 states from Texas to Florida and northward to Kentucky, West Virginia, and Virginia.

Three-year Production of Kentucky Teachers

The table below provides a look at the Kentucky institutions' production of teachers during the three-year period from 2003-2006. As you can see, 75% of our teachers come from the public institutions and 25% are provided through our private institutions.

Institution	3-year total	%*
Alice Lloyd College	77	1%
Asbury College	116	1%
Bellarmino University	299	4%
Berea College	62	1%
Brescia University	69	1%
Campbellsville University	180	2%
Centre College	26	<1%
Eastern Kentucky University	1003	12%
Georgetown College	147	2%
Kentucky Christian University	48	1%
Kentucky State University	62	1%
Kentucky Wesleyan College	55	1%
Lindsey Wilson College	97	1%
Mid Continent University	9	<1%
Midway College	214	3%
Morehead State University	793	9%
Murray State University	915	11%
Northern Kentucky University	816	10%
Pikeville College	67	1%
Spalding University	258	3%
Thomas More College	36	<1%
Transylvania University	41	<1%
Union College	167	2%
University of Kentucky	891	10%
University of Louisville	706	8%
University of the Cumberlands	145	2%
Western Kentucky University	1199	14%
TOTAL	8507	

**Due to rounding the total percent will exceed 100.*

2006-07 Annual Report on EPSB Goals and Strategies

The 2007 annual EPSB report is now on our website at [2006-07 EPSB Annual Report](#).

CEO Scoring

During the April 2007 submission window, EPSB staff received 19 CEO portfolios to score. Of the 19 portfolios, 12 were successful, 6 were unsuccessful, and one portfolio is being rescored due to questions that arose during scoring.

The next CEO scoring is this month, and so far 72 teachers have notified us they intend to submit CEO portfolios for scoring.

NCTAF Teacher Turnover Calculator

The cost of teacher turnover chips away at both district and school budgets, with students the ones who ultimately pay the academic price for having a series of new teachers. The folks at the National Commission on Teaching and America's Future have released a national study on teacher turnover and now have an online calculator so schools and districts can see the cost of teacher turnover. The link to the calculator is [Teacher Turnover Calculator](#).

KASA Conference

Again this year, members of the EPSB staff will be attending the annual conference of the Kentucky Association of School Administrators (KASA) in Louisville on July 18-20. This is the largest annual gathering of school administrators in the Commonwealth, with attendance of approximately 1000. EPSB has previously had a productive time at the conference, handling many questions related to certification, internship, etc. from our booth in the exhibit hall. During Thursday's breakout sessions, Mike Carr will be presenting a session on recent and proposed changes relative to EPSB programs. This is usually well attended by human resources directors, principals, and superintendents.

National Attention on Redesign of Master's Degrees

Your work on the redesign of master's degrees used for rank change has gained a national audience. I have been asked to present on the redesign initiative at the National Commission on Teaching and America's Future (NCTAF) conference in Philadelphia this month. I look forward to sharing the vision of a coherent advanced preparation model that holds the promise of helping to close achievement gaps.

New Legal Case Tracking System Being Tested

Staff in the Legal Services Division has begun testing the Legal Case Tracking System. The test phase will continue throughout the fall and assuming all goes well the tracking system will go live January 1, 2008.

Regulations Update

The amendments to [16 KAR 1:030](#) and the new regulation [16 KAR 9:080](#) were passed out of the ARRS committee on June 7, and both regulations should be effective by the first of August.

Second Annual Indoor Picnic

The first week in July is the busiest time of the year for processing certificates, and it is also the time we close out our budget and begin the new fiscal year. On Thursday July 5 the management team will provide a little break from the labor with an indoor picnic. My wife

Linda and I will be providing the barbeque and all the side dishes, and the rest of the leadership team will be filling in with drinks and desserts, as well as setup and cleanup. It is a small way we can say thank you to the wonderful people we have the pleasure of working alongside at the EPSB.

Meetings, Conferences, Etc.

July 4 – Holiday (EPSB office closed)
July 5 – Leadership meeting
July 7/10 – NCTAF Conference
July 10 – SE/SC meeting
July 11 – Capital Planning Advisory Committee
July 11 – LEAD/KTIP regional meeting at Grant County
July 12 -- LEAD/KTIP regional meeting at Natural Bridge SP
July 13 -- LEAD/KTIP regional meeting at EPSB office
July 11/13 – Education Commission of the States Conference
July 17 – Leadership Meeting
July 17 – Education Coalition meeting
July 18/20 – KASA Conference
July 18 – KEDC meeting
July 19 – Professional Development Task Force
July 23 – Training on personal service contracts
July 23 – CEO Advisory Council meeting
July 24/28 – NBPTS national conference
July 24/28 – CEO scoring session
July 25 – OVEC meeting
July 25 – Educator Preparation Program Quality Measurement Committee meeting
July 25/26 – KACTE summer meeting
July 30 – WKEC meeting
July 30 – Accreditation pre-visit Union College
July 30 – Kentucky Education Network Executive Committee meeting
July 31 – Leadership meeting

FYI: Acronyms and abbreviations:

CEO – Continuing Education Option

CPE – Council on Post-Secondary Education

KACTE – Kentucky Association of Colleges for Teacher Educators

KASA – Kentucky Association of School Administrators

KEDC – Kentucky Education Development Cooperative

KPIP – Kentucky Principal Internship Program

KTIP – Kentucky Teacher Internship Program

LEAD – Local Educator Assignment Data

NASDTEC – National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification

NBPTS – National Board for Professional Teaching Standards

NCTAF – National Commission on Teaching and America's Future

OVEC – Ohio Valley Education Cooperative

SESC – Southeast South Central Education Cooperative

VAA – Value-Added Assessment

WKEC – Western Kentucky Educational Cooperative

